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REMARKS

In the Office Action, restriction was required under 35 U.S.C § 121 between:

- Group I – Claims 1-43, drawn to an apparatus for automatically forming components, and;
- Group II – Claims 44-81, drawn to a method for automatically assembling.

Responsive to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, claims 1-43, drawn to an apparatus for automatically forming components. Applicants cancel, without prejudice, the claims of Group II by the above amendment.

An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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